House Resolution No. 1277

Whereas, the members of the Missouri House of Representatives are delighted to honor an outstanding Missourian who has witnessed dramatic changes in America during his sojourn on this most precious earth; and

Whereas, Noble Bishop commemorated the resplendent occasion of his Ninety-fifth Birthday with family and friends on March 7, 2004, in the basement of Edina Christian Church; and

Whereas, on March 6, 1909, God brought a special gift to this great nation with the birth of an adorable infant by the name of Noble, who would put a twinkle in people's eyes and fill their hearts with love and joy; and

Whereas, Noble Bishop made his formal debut in 1909 along with such notable people as clarinetist and big band leader Benjamin David "Benny" Goodman, actress Katharine Houghton Hepburn, and entertainer Ethel Merman; and

Whereas, an individual who has lived during an era of incredible progress, Noble Bishop was born the same year that the Indianapolis Motor Speedway held its first race on a dirt track, William Howard Taft was inaugurated as the twenty-seventh president of the United States, and W.C. Handy wrote Memphis Blues; and

Whereas, Noble Bishop has been an eyewitness to numerous national and international events, many of which are familiar to others only through the pages of history; and

Whereas, at the respectable age of 95, Noble Bishop is extremely grateful for the countless blessings he has received throughout the course of his long and eventful life:

Now, therefore, be it resolved that we, the members of the Missouri House of Representatives, Ninety-second General Assembly, unanimously join in extending our most hearty congratulations and special birthday greetings to Noble Bishop at this significant milestone and in wishing him peace and contentment as he continues to enjoy his golden years; and

Be it further resolved that the Chief Clerk of the Missouri House of Representatives be instructed to prepare a properly inscribed copy of this resolution for Noble Bishop, as a measure of our esteem for him.

Offered by
Representative Brian Munzlinger
District No. 1
I, Catherine L. Hanaway, Speaker of the House of
Representatives, Ninety-second General Assembly, Second
Regular Session, do certify that the above is a true and
correct copy of House Resolution No. 1277, adopted
March 25, 2004.
Catherine L. Hanaway, Speaker